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OUR KUNTRI KO'TEMPORERIZ.

Az a jeneral rûl ðl lfdiŋ jurnalz emanét from lárj biznez senturz hwèr ai inturests ov tréd briŋ togeaur nûz from ðl kworturz ov æ wuld. In our kuntri, Nû York, Bostun, Filadelfia, Woçintun, Çikôgô, and San Fransisko wud sîm tu bî æ môt propur plésez for a jurnal on eni nû subjekt, and in Yû-rup, Livurpûl, Lundun, Paris, Vaiena and uaur sentral points, hwail æ smò'ar tounz ár mór sûtabl for lókal nûz, and kan hárdli ekspekt tu kompft wiæ ær mór févurd néburz.

Wí faînd houevur qat æ stamp ffvur êkstends yûniversali and ofn ai eksaitment bréks out in sum skûl or vilej tu só grét an êkstant az tu surpas sîti kolekturz for a taim. Enterpraisiŋ boiz çó ær talents bai suplaiŋ kolekturz at a gud profit hwic iz jenerali invest-ed in a gud kolekçun, and ofn ær spèr taim is yûzd in advertaiziŋ in sum boiz jurnal and içyuiŋ a prais list inklûdiŋ pakets and rikwairiŋ a stok ov stamps ov æ valyu ov from \$10 tu \$100; hwen æ latúr iz æ kês ai içyu ov a munali jurnal iz kontempléted az æ rediest mînz ov advertaiziŋ ær stok, hwic ansurz veri wel for a fîl numburz until its novelti iz óvur, aftur hwic it absorbs a lárj amount ov kapital and seldum wiæ korespondiŋ riturnz.

Wí hav hurd a grét meni pártiz létli tòkiŋ ov startiŋ a jurnal. Our ón eks-pfriers wil perhaps giv æm sum aidfa ov ær rikwairments. We hav our ón taip and fikseurz, and du ðl but æ printiŋ; æ formur kost us about \$150, and nou ai ekspansez ár about \$25 pur munæ. Wiæ a péd list ov 300 sub-skraiburz wí lûz about \$200 pur yír bi-saidz æ trubl ov korektiŋ prúfs, raitiŋ ártiklz ets. Az an advurtaizer it péz us

but in itself æ pépur kan not bi kount-ed a sukses. Our sistem ov prípéiŋ póstej kosts a gud dfl hwic iz jenerali sévd. Sum jurnalists hav taim tu set up ær ón pépur, and in sum késez dú ær ón printiŋ hwic ov kórs matfírali ridúsez ai ekspens.

Wí hav nou tú kuntri jurnalz divóted tu stamps and koinz about æ saiz ov our ón, and boæ 25 sents pur yír. Wun iz æ Stamp kolekturz Gaid stárted last Dísembur bai ai Amerikan stamp kum-pani ov Meriden Konetikut, konténiŋ a munali list ov stamps and sum veri ríðabl orijinal ártiklz; wí dú not egzak-li agrí wiæ ær sentimentr, az wí ad-vókét varafitiz ov kulur ets, for hwic æé giv us æ flaturiŋ taitl ov óld fôgi. If wí ár ær ár plenti ov æm amuŋ Nû York kolekturz, and wí aiŋk a winturz trip tu æ sîti wud benefit our rustik frend.

Our uaur kótemporeri iz ai Amerikan koin and stamp Rivû, publiçt bai æ Kístón stamp asósiéçun ov Alentoun, Pa. Ær furst numbur for Mé iz móstli méð up ov ártiklz and aitemz from uaur pépurz, amuŋ æm wí nótiŋ a transléçun ov our ártikl on E'ncunt or modurn koinz hwic luks veri wel wiæ ai eksepeçun ov ær mistékiŋ our Grík inskripçun for Saidun tu ríð Sodum, hwic woz burnd loŋ bífór koinej woz bigun. Æé giv a prais list ov koinz hwic iz raaur an af opaur tu Nû York-urz. Furst kumz æ Fûçtwangur sent ov 1837 for \$8, hwic selz hír at from 10 tu 25 sents; nekst kums a Masacú-sets sent fêr for \$6. Ær stamp list ol-qó a çort wun iz qwait moderet.

Wi wiç our frendz a gud sirkúléçun ov ær rispektiv jurnalz, and çal bî glad tu welkum eni uaurz hú mé foló ær egzampl.

# LIST OF STAMPS FOR JUNE.

	new.	used.
Arg. Repub. 1867 5 cent. red	\$	\$ 10
Antioquia 10-20 centavos		50
Bivaria return letter stamp 4 varieties	10	
Canada Envelope 5c. red		15
Ceylon " 2 pence green	10	
" " set of 10 uncut	5 00	
Chili 1867 5-10 centavos		05
Confed. States 1861 Davis 5c green		20
" " 5c blue	30	25
" " 1862 Jackson 2 green	1 50	
" " Madison 10 red	1 50	
" " 10 blue	35	
" " 1863 small size 5 blue	01	05
" " 1 yellow	40	
" " (10 cents) blue	01	05
" " 20 green	03	10
" " 2 red	10	
" " (TEN CENTS) blue	4 00	4 00
Corrientes 1864 (3 centavos) yellow	1 25	
Dutch Indies 1870 50 cent red		08
Egypt 1865 1-2 piastres		15
" " 1867 pyramids 5 paras yellow	03	03
" " 10 liac	08	08
" " 20 green	12	08
" " 1 piastre red	20	05
" " 2 blue	40	15
" " 5 brown	65	30
France Republic 1870 set of 8	1 25	
Great Britain 1/2 d. wrapper 2 sorts		02
Guatemala 1 centavo yellow		06
Liberia set of 3	1 00	
Luzon 1864 12 1/2 blue		18
" " 25 rose		35
Mecklenburg Sch. 4-4ths, 2-3 sch.	03	
Mexico, Maximilian 25c. engraved	1 00	
" " Guadalupe 1-2 reales	4 00	
Modena eagle 15 cent yellow		03
New Granada 1871 5 yellow	15	
" " 1870 2 1/2 triangular	12	
Oldenburg 1866 set of 5	25	
Parma 1854 6 centesimi rose		15
Roumania 1866 2-5-10 paras		10
Russia 1869 Envelope 10 brown		10
" " 1870 local for Yver red	20	
" " Longa blue	20	
Servia 1869 20 paras blue		10
St. Domingo 1869 1/2-1 real		20
Spanish West Indies 1867 5c. lilac		10
" " 1871 set of 4	1 25	
" " 25c. de peseta blue		08
" " 1855 2 reales carmine		35
Uruguay 1864 06 red		18
United States Envelopes cut square		
1861 24c. in two colors		35
1864 6 pink on buff & white		10
" " 3 brown "		05
1865 2 black, 3 colors		03
1870 1 blue on white & buff		03
" " 2 brown on buff & orange		03
" " 3 green 3 colors		03
" " 6 red on white & buff		12
" " 12 purple		15
" " 24 "		30
" " 30 black "		40
1871 adhesive 90 cents rose		05



## THE CONFEDERATE LOCALS.

These stamps which were used by the Postmasters at the south in 1861 are now among the most eagerly sought and highly prized of any stamps. There are really many more of them than is generally supposed. We have only had descriptions of about 25, while a full list of all the varieties would exceed 100. The following partial list includes a few not generally known; ATHENS GA. 5c. purple. BATON ROUGE LA. 5 red. CHARLESTON S. C. 5 blue on white. " Env. 5 " yellow. " 5 " blue.

COLUMBIA S. C. 5 blue. FREDERICKSBURG VA. 5 blue, 10 red. GREENVILLE ALA. 5 blue. KNOXVILLE TENN. 5 red. " Env. 5 buff. LIVINGSTON ALA. 5 blue. MACON GA. 5 green. MEMPHIS TENN. 5 red 2 blue. " Env. 5 red on yellow. MOBILE ALA. 5 blue, 2 black. NASHVILLE TENN. 3 red; 5 red, 5 drab, 10 green. NEW ORLEANS, 2 hl e, 2 red, 5 brown, 5 brown, on blue, 5 red. PETERSBURG VA. 5 red. PLEASANT SHADE VA. 5 blue. RHEATOWN VA. 5 red. — R. H. GLASS P. M. 5 blue.

We have also several variations in the types color and paper of the above, of which a few collectors make distinction. A gentleman who has a fine collection informs us that shortly after the fall of Charleston he obtained from boys whom he induced to hunt them up, over a peck, not of the Confederate stamps which were thought nothing of, but of the locals, which he gave away to friends and officers in the army.

Many of these stamps are now on old letters throughout the South, and it will be worth while for those who have the facility to hunt them up, for many of them sell for \$10 apiece and upwards. We have bought quite a number at from \$5 to \$10 and shall be glad to get more of them as long as the demand continues. They are worth at least a dollar more, when preserved on the original envelopes.

We applied to the Internal Revenue Department for some of the match and proprietary stamps now out of use and were informed that they are authorized by law to issue stamps from private dies only to the owners to be used upon their own proprietary articles.

# LIST OF COIN CATALOGUES.

The following order is observed: 1 No. of days sale, 2 day it commenced, 3 owners name, 4 location, 5 auctioneers name or initials, 6 price of clean catalogues, 7 priced.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

1864.

1 June 29 Cogan N Y. B M & Co. 1.  
" " " " large paper

1865.

1 Jan. 10 Ed. M Thomas Wash'n McGuire  
1 Mar. 6 Chicago Gilbert & Sampson  
5 " 13 Dr. Chilton N Y. B M & Co. 1. 3.  
" " " " addenda No. 1. 1.  
" " " " 2. 1.  
" 20 W E Woodward N Y. J E Cooley  
" " " " large paper  
" 24 Gointoom Strong

1 " 24 Phila Thomas  
1 Apr. 18 Brooklyn Hegeman 1.  
3 May. 29 J N T Levick N Y. B M & Co. 1. 2.  
" " " " large paper  
" " " " supplement

1 " 30 N W Sanitary Fair Chicago  
1 June 29 E Cogan N Y. B M & Co. 1. 1.  
" " " " large paper

1 " " S H Chadbourne Prov. Sheldon  
1 July 12 " Boston Mc Gilvray 1.  
5 Oct. 16 Dr. F S Edwards N Y. B M & Co. 2.  
" " " " addenda 2.

2 " 24 Mr Dawley " " 1. 1½  
1 " 26 Dr Abrahams Boston S Hatch 1. 1½  
Nov. 13 Benj. Haines " J E Cooley 1. 1½  
" " " " addenda 1.

1 Dec. 18 " B M & Co.  
4 " 19 W E Woodward " J E Cooley  
" " " " large paper  
" " " " addenda

1 " 20 Boston Conant & Sherburne 2. 1½  
1 Dec. 23 A S Robinson N Y. J E Cooley 1.  
1 " 27 " B M & Co. 1.

1866.

2 Feb. 14 Dr. L Turner Boston. Saml. Hatch 1.  
" " " " addenda 1.

2 " 19 E J Barra San Francisco  
4 " 27 W E Woodward N Y. J E Cooley 2.  
1 Mar. 6 Phila. Thomas  
" 26 N Y. B M & Co. 1.

4 Apr. 24 W E Woodward " Leavitt 2.  
" " " " large paper

1 May 3 E Cogan Phila. Birch 1.  
2 " 23 Boston Leonard 1. 1.  
" 24 addenda " 1.

" 26 O H Harpel Cin. S G Hubbard  
1 Oct. 18 Marsh N Y. Miner & Somerville 1.  
" 19 J K Story Boston Saml Hatch 1.

Nov. 9 Dr. T G Collins Cin. S G Hubbard  
" 13 W H Corner N Y. B M & Co.  
" 27 Phila. Thomas & Son

2 Dec. 6 C Lightbody N Y. B M & Co. 1. 2.  
" 10 Jercks & Paine N Y. Leavitt 1. 2.  
" 15 N Y. Miner & Somerville

" 18 Boston Leonard 1. 1½  
" 24 N Y. B M & Co. 1. 1½  
1867.

1 Jan. 11 N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

1 " 15 W Beakin Chicago  
2 Feb. 4. N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

1 Mar. 5 W Beakin Chicago  
1 " 7 N Y. B M & Co.  
2 " 18 " " .50 1.

1 " 18 Phila. Birch & Son .50 1.  
1 " 19 " B Scott Jr. .50 1.  
" 27 N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

3 Apr. 18 W E Woodward N Y. Leavitt 1. 2.  
" " " " addenda 1. 1.

3 " " Cincinnati S G Hubbard  
4 " 24 Zanoni & Bogert N Y. B M & Co. 1. 2.  
3 June 5 L Breckemin Phila Davis & H. 1.

1 " 13 N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.  
1 " 18 " " .50 1.  
2 " 27 " " .50 1.

Sept. 30 " " .50 1.  
5 Oct. 23 Woodward Mickley Col. 3. 6.  
" 31 " addenda 2. 2½

Nov. 12 Louis Borg N Y. Leeds 1.  
1 Dec. 27 B M & Co. .50 1.  
" 30 " .50 1.

1868.

1 Feb. 13 N Y. B M & Co. .50  
3 June 3 James Oliver " " 3.  
1 July 1 John Neppes Phila. Birch 1.

1 Nov. 28 N Y. B M & Co. .50  
2 Dec. 14 " Leavitt & Son .50 1.

1869.

2 Apr. 13 E T Farmer Phila. Birch .50 1.  
2 " 28 N Y. Leavitt & S. .75 1.  
1 May 31 " B M & Co. .50

2 June 4 " Leavitt & S. .50  
2 " 23 M L Mackenzie N Y. " 1. 2.  
3 Sept. 6 E P. Thru Phila. Birch .50 1.

2 Oct. 13 M W Dickeson " .50 1.  
1 " 15 A S Robinson N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.  
2 " 18 J C Randall " .50 1.

2 Nov. 16 J W Hazeltine " .50 1.  
1 Dec. 1 Phila Birch .50 1.  
2 " 17 J M Wilbur N Y. B M & Co. .50 1.

" 21 Mason & C. Phila. Martin .50 1.  
1870.

1 Jan. 21 J B Longacre Phila. Thomas .50 1.  
1 Apr. 23 N Y. B M & C. .50

3 May 3. L M Bond " Leavitt & S. 3.  
" 19. M W Dickeson Phila. Birch .50  
3 " 25 J C Newcomb N Y. Leavitt & S. 3.

2 June 4 " " .50 .75  
" 17 B M & Co. .50 .75  
" 17 No. 2 " .50 .75

" 17 Leavitt & S. .50 .75  
Oct. 4 Fewsmith N Y. Leavitt 3.  
Oct. 19 " B M & Co. .50 .75

Dec. 21 W Idler " Leavitt. .50 .75  
" 23 Boston Leonard .50 1.

1871.

Jan. 16 N Y. B M & Co. .50 75  
2 Feb. 16 " Leavitt & Co. .50 75  
5 " 27 Gov. Packer " B M & Co. 3.

Mar. 29 Phila. Birch  
3 Apr. 3 " " .50 1.  
1 " 8 " " .50 .75

1 " 21 Leavitt & Co. .25 .50  
2 May 3 Emil Cauffman B M & Co. .50 1.  
2 June 1 N Y. B M & Co. .50

## NOTICES OF AUCTION SALES.

At the sale of coins at Bangs' June 1st & 2d. the following comprise the principal sales:

Silver medals: Adam Eckfeldt \$9; Erie Canal \$6 25; "Libera soror." 1782 peace medal \$60; "Fautissima federe j nctoe" 1782 do \$6; Andrew Johnson \$5 25; Tin medal of Jas. Madison \$5; American gold: Eagle 1804 uncirculated \$35; Double eagle 1860 do., rare variety \$32; Mormon \$5. piece \$9; Silver:  $\frac{1}{2}$  dime 1795 fine \$7; do. 1797 \$7; Proof sets: 1857 \$14 50; do 1858 \$14 50; Greek tetradrachms averaged \$6; Roman denarii averaged 50c; Oliver Cromwell  $\frac{1}{2}$  crown fine \$15.

American colonials &c: Auctori Plebis good \$6 50; Immunis Columbia do. \$7; Excelsior do. \$14; do. not so good \$12; British Settlements Kentucky, silver \$82 50, do. copper \$33; 1792  $\frac{1}{2}$  dime \$10 50; Washington cent 1797 small eagle fine \$10; do. 1792 Genl. of Am. armies \$10; do. born Virginia Feb. 11 1732 \$14; Declaration medal \$12; 1808 Wash'n. medal \$10; 1794 Dollar faint date \$5 50.

American cents: 1795 uncirculated \$14; 1825 do. \$6 50; 1843 54-55 proofs each \$7; 1857 do. \$4 50; half cents: 1798 \$9; 1795 thick die \$6; 1841 proof \$5; 1847 do. \$16.

At the sale of the collection of coins of Emil Cauffman of Phila. May 3d. and 4th., the following prices were realized:

American Silver: Dollars, 1794 \$32; 1795 fillet head nearly proof \$17; 1846 -47-49-54 proofs each \$15; 1851-52 each \$22; 1855 proof set \$50; 1856 do. \$19; 1857 do. \$15; 1858 do. \$14 25; Half dollars: 1794 fine \$12; 1795 nearly uncirculated \$19; 1797 good \$16; English penny tokens uncirculated brought from 10 to 25 cts. each.

Pattern pieces: 1792 half dime \$44 50; 1836 flying eagle dollar \$10; 1838 do. \$39; 1839 do. \$23; Washington, Liberty and security 1795 in brass \$25; Massachusetts cent 1787 uncirculated \$8 50; 1788 do. very fine \$8; Greek tetradrachms: Alexander \$10; Demetrius Soter \$10; Lysimachus \$7; Ptolemy Soter \$9; Philip II. \$6 50; Roman gold: Trajan \$5; Valentinianus \$7 75; American cents: 1793 liberty cap \$9 50; do. link very fine \$15 50; do. flowing hair \$8 50; 1795 thick die \$5 50; 1797 fine \$6 50; 1799 fair \$9 50; 1804 fine \$13; 1811 very fine \$30; 1825 uncirculated \$9 50; 1856 & 57 proof each \$6 25; Half cents 1795 thick die uncirculated \$29 50; 1797 do. \$9.

The results of this sale show that the interest in American coins is on the increase. The total proceeds were \$1791.

We give this month the balance of our list of coin catalogues; as a general rule half a dozen priced catalogues of the principal sales will be a sufficient guide to the market value of coins for most collectors.

For American coins we would recommend the 5 and 6 days sales of Mr. Woodward, also that of Benj. Haine, and for foreign coins that of Gov. Packer &c. There are however some collectors who prefer to preserve them all in the form of bound volumes, arranged according to date. To those who wish to make such a set our list will be found invaluable.

## LETTER FROM GEN. JED. HUNTINGTON.

Now in the possession of D. M. Collins 87th. St. near first ave. N. Y. City.

"PEESKILL, Oct. 24 1781.

My lord

You will have all the news viva voce, by Mr. Jackson, yet to fulfill my Promise to your lordship and to tell you I have a Pleasure in doing it, I put to paper a few things.

The General has good Intelligence of the Fleets sailing from N. Y. the evening of the 19th.—25 ships of the line, 3-50's—3-40's—about 6000 Troops on board, Clinton himself, they have some Fire ships under the Guise of Frigates hoping to deceive Count de Grasse with them—they are prepared with a species of Carasses calculated to burn their Sails and Rigging but of all this apparatus, Information was dispatched to his Excellency four days before the Sailing of the Fleet.

G. Washington was by his letter of the 6th. to open his Trenches the Evening of that day.

I am, my lord, with great Sincerity, Your lordships most obedt. Servant.

Jed. Huntington."

M. Gen. Lord Stirling.

We have been obliged this month to delay answering some of our correspondence on account of moving to our new place, No. 53 Nassau st. but have now become comparatively settled, and hope to be more punctual in the future. We find that advertising coins to sell by mail does not pay very well, the postage is so heavy, but we have a large variety in stock of both Foreign and American, and parties wishing coins will do well to pay us a visit.

We notice a statement in the Tribune that we are to have a new set of revenues as high as \$5000 on the first of July.

The Sunday Mercury for June 4th, contains an article on what they style the new mania containing many interesting facts about stamp collecting, but with that disregard of accuracy which generally characterizes newspaper articles; for instance it is stated that 200,000, is annually expended by stamp collectors in this city. One tenth of this amount would probably be nearer the truth. As a sample of their accuracy we are credited with having bought up a lot of fifteen cent stamps of the 1869 issue which are now worth from fifty cents to one dollar each!

Taking it altogether however it is a very readable article and will doubtless start up many new collectors.

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